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EXHIBIT: #VII.E.

TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: William H. Beardsley, Acting Commissioner*

DATE: January 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Approval of the review team for the Southern New Hampshire University renewal of State Board Authorization to offer credit courses and have a physical presence in the State of Maine.

BACKGROUND: The Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) was first authorized by the State Board of Education (SBE) in 2002 to offer classes at 10 Tibbetts Drive in the Cook's Corner area of Brunswick, Maine. Since 2002, SNHU has received two five-year-renewals from the SBE and with each one their class offering have increased. Currently, SNHU offers the following graduate programs using a hybrid model: MBA, Organizational Leadership, Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling, and a Masters of Education. The site visit is scheduled for January 15, 2016 via video conference at 1pm in the Cross building.

RECOMMENDATION: That the State Board of Education approves the list for potential State review team members for the Southern New Hampshire University application renewal and designate Rosa Redonnett of the University of Maine System as Chair.

*Presented by Ángel Martínez Loredo
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Proposed State Review Team Membership

Chair	Rosa Redonnett University of Maine System	Scott Voisine University of Maine at Ft. Kent
	Katrin Teel Beal College	

Non-Voting Participants

Observer	Jana Lapoint Maine State Board of Education	State Consultant	Ángel Martínez Loredó MDOE Higher Education Specialist
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